

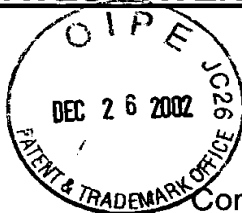
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Response to Restriction Requirement

Sir:

This is in response to the restriction requirement mailed November 18, 2002 wherein the claims were grouped into the following categories:

- I. Claims 1-17, drawn to an apparatus for binding sheets, classified in class 156, subclass 510.
- II. Claims 18-20, drawn to a method of binding sheets, classified in class 156, subclass 250.

In response to the restriction requirement Applicant elects Claims 1-17 (Group 1) without traverse.

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